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Written statement* submitted by the Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Victims of terrorism; a perspective the protective measures aspects

Terrorism is a vicious phenomenon whose blind and blatant expansion gravely violates human rights and greatly threatens international security and peace. To help confront and harness the spread of terrorism around the globe and to defend and support the victims of terrorism globally, the Association for Defending the Victims of Terrorism proposes the following:

1- We request the United Nations to urge Member States to promote cooperation among themselves through regional and / subregional arrangements in order to support victims of terrorism and to promote the campaign against terrorism.

2- We invite organizations and NGOs that advocate the rights of the victims of terrorism to strengthen their cooperation through effective and synergetic networking.

3- We request UN Secretary-General Mission Special Rapporteur on counter-terrorism to organize an Advisory Committee comprising of the Jurists of the Member States to constantly analyze the process of criminalization of various forms of terrorism in international documents and report their findings to the Secretary-General to provide for an international data bank on the subject.

4- We also request Secretary General to require the United Nations offices in the states to pursue the following measures in order to protect the rights of victims of terrorism in the members' state countries:

a- Identify victims of terrorism by the assistance of the non-governmental organizations that defend the rights of victims of terrorism.

b- To adopt necessary measures for the due compensation of the victims of terrorism and their descendants.

c- To provide for the due participation of the victims of terrorism in the respective international assemblies and to give them the chance to discuss their agonies and difficulties.

d-To grant scholarships on the terrorism related subjects to the eligible and talented survivors of terrorism and /or their decedents.

5- Finally, we request regional and international assemblies that address terrorism and defend the rights of the victims of terrorism internationally to constantly evaluate and review international conventions so as to streamline and synergize their functions and activities world over.